

## BID LETTING MARCH 14, 2013

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### 101 - BIDDLE-N & S AND NORTH OF BIDDLE-N

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Clarification:

Submitted: Fri, 15-Feb-2013 10:20 MDT

The special provision below is hereby added to this contract.

STATUS OF UTILITIES [108] (ADDED 1-1-03)

Utility relocation work is not complete and will not be complete as of the letting date and contract award date.

Project work must be coordinated with the utility company relocation activities until the utility relocation work

is complete. Under no circumstances will a delay in relocating utility facilities be considered as justification for additional compensation.

Should unforeseen conditions arise which substantially delay the utility relocation work, and the delay results directly in a delay to the project work, make a written request to the department for a time extension, see Subsection 108.07.4.

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Clarification:

Submitted: Tue, 26-Feb-2013 8:17 MST

The project specific DBE goal of 5.0% is waived for this project. An addendum will be issued to remove the project specific DBE goal.

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Clarification:

Submitted: Fri, 01-Mar-2013 13:21 MST

The Fencing Summary on Sheet 17 of the Biddle - North & South plans contains a column incorrectly identifying

FARM FENCE - TYPE F5W (Wood Post). This should be labeled as FARM FENCE - TYPE F5M (Metal Post). The

Schedule of Items and bid file correctly identify 31,030.00 LNFT of FARM FENCE - TYPE F5M. Furnish and

install Metal fence posts for this work item per Specifications and Detailed Drawings.

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Clarification:

Submitted: Mon. 04-Mar-2013 12:27 MST

Right of Way Agreements referenced on plan sheet 17 in the fencing summary frames can be found at the

following link:

**[Right of Way Agreements](#)**

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Clarification:

Submitted: Thu, 07-Mar-2013 14:24 MDT

An Addendum has been posted for this project.

Please click on the following link to access the information: **[ADDENDUM](#)**

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Submitted: Fri, 22-Feb-2013 14:30 MST  
Company: Riverside Contracting, Inc.  
Contact: Russ

Question:

Please post the design files as well as any additional geotechnical information available for the project.

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 25-Feb-2013 8:37 MST

Attached are PDF Files of the available project alignment and/or structures geotechnical report(s), geotechnical report supplements, and geotechnical laboratory summaries. There is remaining geotechnical information that is voluminous and very difficult to compile in a concise manner.

Contractors are welcome to come to MDT Headquarters to inspect soil and/or rock samples taken for the project that are stored here or to look through the complete set of Geotechnical field investigation notes, laboratory testing, analytical, or other data in our project files.

It should be noted that the project may have undergone significant changes during the design process after the original geotechnical report and supplements were issued. Thus, some of the information contained in these documents may be out of date or not applicable with regard to the advertised project. Some of the changes include, but are not limited to: Project splits (for funding, ROW issues, etc.); alignment and grade changes; and changes due to environmental factors (sensitive areas, etc.).

The documents can be found at: [GEOTECHNICAL REPORT](#)

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Submitted: Wed, 27-Feb-2013 14:38 MST  
Company: Riverside Contracting, Inc.  
Contact: Russ

Question:

Please post Geopak (Design) files for project.

Answer:

Submitted: Thu, 28-Feb-2013 8:00 MST

The design files for the requested project are posted on the MDT FTP site for your use at:

[BIDDLE NORTH & SOUTH GEOPAK](#)

The requested files do not represent the staked project, but are only design files. The Department cannot guarantee the accuracy of the electronic data, particularly as it may be called up by your computer, nor does any data in these files supersede the data in the contract documents.

In addition, the Department will not make any revisions to the electronic files pertaining to the staked project,

change ordered work, or changes that are made during construction to fit field conditions.

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Submitted: Wed, 27-Feb-2013 16:56 MST

Company: Cretex

Contact: Mike Pardy

Question:

On the Box Culvert detail sheet, regarding the depth of the Cutoff walls:

There is a note in the side elevation view that says "Cutoff wall set 1' below foundation material when specified"

There is also a "d" dimension listed for each box which indicates a depth for the concrete cutoff walls. In the past

we have bid the cutoff walls based on this "d" dimension only later to be told they need to be deeper because

there is foundation material. Please confirm the depth of cutoff wall

required below the flowline for each box as

it cannot be scaled accurately off the cross sections.

Answer:

Submitted: Thu, 28-Feb-2013 8:03 MST

The "d" dimension on the Reinforced Concrete Box Culvert plan sheet detail is correct.

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Submitted: Tue, 05-Mar-2013 14:34 MST

Company: Macon Supply

Contact: Chuck Eskro

Question:

Need to locate more information regarding what type of coconut blanket you are looking for. Only located a

type "C" on summary page.

Answer:

Submitted: Thu, 07-Mar-2013 11:49 MST

The blanket must be constructed with 100% biodegradable stitching and

netting. The blanket is to be netted on

both sides and have a minimum weight of 0.5 lbs of coconut fiber per square yard.

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Submitted: Mon, 11-Mar-2013 09:02 MDT

Company: Mountain West Holding Co

Contact: Chris Connors

Question:

Would the Department consider revising the method of pay for the bid item

Reset Guardrail on this project? As is,

the bid item requires the contractor to price the work with no possible way to know if the guardrail posts are

reusable. Until the posts are removed, any damage from the original installation can not be determined.

Additionally, what criteria determines if the materials are not reusable?

(I.e. scraped galvanizing, small bends or

crimps in the steel, etc..) Will the MDOT allow repairs and who is

responsible for the performance of these materials?

Does AASHTO recomend multiple installations of a weak post and do they have criteria to determine if the system will still function as it was designed? IT would be very difficult to account for the subjective opinion of whichever inspector is assigned that days task of guardrail resetting. I suggest adding a provision that requires new posts for all reset guardrail. The type of posts that exist are small weak post systems and to reuse them after installation and removal through asphalt would be risky at best.

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 11-Mar-2013 13:35 MST

The Reset Guardrail Item will not be revised.

The Engineering Project Manager will determine the extent of repairs allowed and quality of material. The guardrail is understood to be in a used condition. Material damaged by the contractor during removal will be replaced at the contractors expense.

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## 102 - DUNMORE - EAST

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Clarification:

Submitted: Tue, 26-Feb-2013 8:17 MST

The project specific DBE goal of 3.0% is waived for this project. An addendum will be issued to remove the project specific DBE goal.

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Clarification:

Submitted: Tue, 03-Mar-2013 13:16 MST

The following Special Provisions are hereby revised as follows:

Special Provision #1. - Contract Time - Flex Time Proceed Date. Change the following in sentence B.1) Perform no work on ~~Wyoming Line - North~~ Dunmore - East during the Crow Native Days (3rd weekend in June) and Crow Fair (3rd weekend in August).

Special Provision #20 - Cold Milling - Add the following sentence to Special Provision #20.B. Where the mainline work consists of milling and paving the 12' driving lane only, mill the existing plant mix no more than 48 hours prior to paving.

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Clarification:

Submitted: Tue, 05-Mar-2013 14:57 MST

The following Special Provision is hereby added to this contract:

### SALVAGE OF EXISTING GUARDRAIL

A. Description. Salvage ~~all the usable~~ metal guardrail and ~~metal guardrail posts,~~ no posts or blocks, and ~~all metal any-usable~~ sign posts to the MDT Maintenance Yard in

Hardin, MT. Contact the MDT Maintenance Supervisor at 406-665-3666 to arrange for drop-off. Dispose of remaining material in accordance with Section 202 of the Standard Specifications.

B. Basis of Payment. Include the costs for salvaging, transporting, and stockpiling the salvageable material, disposing the remaining material, as well as the cost of furnishing all materials, tools and labor necessary and incidental to completing the work described under this item, in the bid price for Remove Guardrail.

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Clarification:

Submitted: Thu, 07-Mar-2013 14:25 MDT

An Addendum has been posted for this project.

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Submitted: Mon, 11-Mar-2013 09:37 MDT

Company: Mountain West Holding Co

Contact: Chris Connors

Question:

Are there any specific requirements for the salvaged guardrail per the added provision?

Answer:

Submitted: Wed, 13-Mar-2013 9:10 MST

Please see the clarification for the Salvage Guardrail special provision posted as a clarification above.

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### 103 - PARK AVE-BROADWAY TO NEILL - HELENA

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Clarification:

Submitted: Tue, 26-Feb-2013 8:18 MST

The project specific DBE goal of 3.0% is waived for this project. An addendum will be issued to remove the project specific DBE goal.

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Clarification:

Submitted: Mon, 04-Mar-2013 8:01 MST

Special Provision No. 15, MANHOLES AND VALVE BOXES IN PLACE is hereby deleted from this contract. Manholes and Valve Boxes must be adjusted as shown in Detailed Drawing 621-05 (concrete collar) per City of Helena request.

Include the costs of this work in bid items 621 013 070 and 621 013 110, ADJUST MANHOLE and ADJUST VALVE BOX.

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Clarification:

Submitted: Thu, 07-Mar-2013 14:27 MDT

An Addendum has been posted for this project.

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Submitted: Tue, 19-Feb-2013 14:02 MST

Company: ADA Solutions, Inc.

Contact: Michael Ryan

Question:

The list of quantities indicates 8.8 square yards of Type I detectable warning on this project. That would be approximately 8-10 2x4 tiles. Just wanted to make sure it is not square feet instead of yards. Thank you.

Answer:

Submitted: Wed, 20-Feb-2013 9:05 MST

The quantity of 8.8 square yards is correct.

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Submitted: Mon, 04-Mar-2013 10:05 MST

Company: Helena Sand and Gravel

Contact: Jason Fenhaus

Question:

The sections on plan sheet 9 show Agg. Treatment on the 1 foot wide section of gravel next to the new curb and gutter and behind the new sidewalk. This seems to be an unnecessary expensive. This was not required on the 11th Ave and South Montana Ave projects last year. Would MDT waive the Agg. Treatment application on these small areas?

Answer:

Submitted: Wed, 06-Mar-2013 12:10 MST

The Aggregate Treatment for this project is hereby waived.

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Submitted: Wed, 06-Mar-2013 16:59 MST

Company: Helena Sand and Gravel

Contact: Jason Fenhaus

Question:

This project is 2,500 feet long with 6 cross-streets on it. These cross-streets meet the mainline at varying slopes which typically changes the mainline cross slopes at these intersections. There are 21 manholes and 25 water valves. Most of the utilities are in the wheel path. Even though they get lowed and raised again after paving, the final product will have a bump in it. Within the 2,500 foot long project, there is a section change from a .2' mill and fill to a .3' mill and fill and back to a .2' mill and fill. Also, the contractor will be matching old curb and gutter, some of which is in rough shape.

The speed limit on this roadway is 25 mph. There are enough variables out of the contractors control that we would request that MDT waive the ride specification on this project.

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 12-Mar-2013 08:10 MST

Special Provision No. 13, RIDE SPECIFICATION CATEGORY (SINGLE) is hereby deleted. The Ride Specification is waived for this contract.

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**104 - SF 119 - GLENDIVE RUMBLE STRIPS**

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Clarification:

Submitted: Mon. 04-Mar-2013 15:37 MST

Contact Ron Wuertley at 444-5521 one week prior to installing rumble strips so that the below areas can be marked out. Damage caused by neglect of the contractor will be repaired at the contractors expense.

Site 2: New WIM site on MT 16 in the 4-lane section. The WIM is not installed yet and is awaiting the chip seal application for the installation of the WIM.

Site 8: ATR (A-77) on US-12 at RP 88.8

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No Questions at this time.

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**105 - SF 119 - DELINEATION I-15**

No Questions at this time.